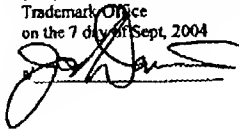


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RESPONSE TO AFTER FINAL REJECTION
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 6, 2004, Applicants submits the attached Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. This response is filed within two (2) months of the date of mailing of the Final Rejection and thus applicant requests the benefit of MPEP 714.13.

REMARKS

In the outstanding Office Action claims 2, 7-9, 16-25 and 33-36 stand rejected. Applicant has amended the claims to overcome the Examiners rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and § 112 (second paragraph). Applicant submits that the amendment merely adopts the Examiner's suggestions and requires only a cursory review by the Examiner; therefore Applicant requests that these amendments be entered and the application be promptly allowed.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicated that claims 3-6, 10-12 and 14 were allowable if rewritten to